

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
101195-18

In Re Application Of: **Timo Hillebrand et al.**

Serial No.  
09/454,740

Filing Date  
December 6, 1999

Examiner  
A. Chakrabarti

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Invention: **Formulations and Method for Isolating Nucleic Acids from Optional Complex Starting Materials and Subsequent Complex Gene Analysis**

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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of Dec. 20, 2000 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

from: March 20, 2001 until: May 20, 2001  
*Date* *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.  
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is **\$195** and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **14-1263**  
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **14-1263** A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: **May 11, 2001**

*Signature*

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **May 11, 2001** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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